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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with provisions of Rules 1.97(c) and 1.98, enclosed and listed on attached Form PTO-1449 are drawings (one sheet) relating to a base structure associated with a housing of a lateral file cabinet as commercialized by one of the related companies of the Assignee of this application.

More specifically, referring to the attached drawings, they illustrate a closed box-like hollow base defined by a top member (drawing A) which opens downwardly, and which has inserts which extend lengthwise along the end edges so as to define tubular constructions. These tubular constructions extend solely along the end edges, and not along the elongate side edges. The open box of drawing A has the bottom thereof closed off by a flat base plate shown in drawing B, which base plate is welded to the top member.

The base depicted by drawings A and B was developed at least in part by some of the inventors named in this application, and was incorporated into a housing of a lateral file cabinet which was first marketed by one of the Assignee's affiliated companies more than 12 months prior to the September 3, 2003 filing date of this application.

Pursuant to Rules 1.97(c) and 1.17(p), the Applicants herewith submit the required fee of \$180.00. In the event additional fees are required in order to have this Statement considered, the undersigned solicitor hereby authorizes the charging of Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

The Examiner's consideration of this prior art is respectfully requested, and it is further requested that the Examiner initial and date the PTO-1449, and return a copy thereof to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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